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## THE WEATHER.

Washington, Aug. 26.-Forecast for Thurs-For Oklahoma and Indian Territory Warmer; fair weather; winds shifting to For Missouri and Kansas-Fair; warmer;

light, variable winds.

| Stations.           | Bar.  | 7 pm | Pre. | W'th'r. |
|---------------------|-------|------|------|---------|
| Concordia, Kas      | 39.18 | 71   | .00  | Clear   |
| Des Moines, Ia      | 30,16 | 72   | .00  | Clear   |
| El Paso, Tex        | 29.96 | 80   | T    | Cloudy  |
| Duluth, Minn        | 30.06 | 58   | T    | Clear   |
| Galveston, Tex      | 39.68 | 84   | .00  | Clear   |
| Helena, Mont        | 29.56 | 82   | .00  | Clear   |
| Kansas City, Mo     | 20.18 | 75   |      | Hazy    |
| Little Rock, Ark    | 30.68 | 84   | .04  | Pt Cldy |
| New Orleans, La     | 20.10 | 82   | .00  | Cloudy  |
| Omaha, Neb          | 30.18 | 74   | .00  | Clear   |
| Oklahoma City,O. T. | 20.16 | 78   | .16  | Pt Cldy |
| St. Louis, Mo       | 20.16 | 74   | .02  | Clear   |
| St. Paul, Minn      | 30.12 | 62   | .00  | Clear   |
| Falt Lake City, U   | 29.96 | 84   | .00  | Clear   |
| Springfield, Mo     | 30.16 | 68   | .00  | Clear   |

The country this morning hears from statesman.

Ir other words, Mr. Bryan regards hor est money as the greatest of all evils.

The Boy Orator is to make a speech in Washington, but it will not be an inaugural address.

This is a year when the people want to know. There never was a greater demand for official and statistical information. It is unfortunate for Mr. Bryan that the

election didn't come off on the day following his nomination. He was strongest then.

Mr. Cowherd, we trust, fully realized that a Democratic nomination this year is not equivalent to an election by a long chalk. The sound money Democrats are going

right ahead just as if it were of no consequence what Senator Hill may or may not do. The trouble with the free silver move

ment is that free silver is not a good thing for this country, and the country Mr. Bland is usually serious, but he occasionally has his little joke. He has been

telling somebody that Bryan will carry Pennsylvania: This is one year when the instructions to federal officeholders not to contribute to

campaign funds may be regarded as given in good faith. Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Lease has been making Bryan speeches in New Jersey, and

that state is now regarded as absolutely safe for McKinley. Senator Stewart might make an interesting contribution to campaign literature by

writing his confessions as one of the crim-When William Jennings Bryan gets home

from his Eastern trip he will be tired in more senses than one. The unemotional East is lung proof.

Major McKinley never disappoints. The public always expects a statesmanlike utterance from him, and the expectation is always fulfilled in largest measure.

The Hon. Tom Watson has received no notification of nomination, but he will receive just as many notifications of election as the other fellows on the ticket

It is needless to say that the decision of the St. Louis sound money convention to nominate a candidate for governor is a most unwelcome surprise to Lonnie Stephens.

The local paper which announces that to has been authorized to collect campaign subscriptions for the free silver cause should send marked copies to the millionaire mine owners.

"If you want to restore confidence," says Candidate Bryan, "you must restore prosperity to the great masses of the people," This is almost equivalent to telling the people to vote for McKinley,

Judge Doster's declaration that the rights of the user are paramount to the rights of the owner has been fittingly referred to as the first instance of the horsethief being vindicated on Kansas soil.

Mr.Cleveland now has an excellent opportunity to commit himself on the Chicago ticket and platform. The Kansas sound money Democratic convention has sent aim a resolution of indorsement

Wherever Mr. Lewis appears to address the people he is greeted by immense throngs and received with warmest enthusiasm. If Lewis is not a winner in this race there is nothing in appearances,

Lengthy arguments on the crime of '73 Kansas people, but argument of this sort will not divert their minds from the fact that Morrill's administration has been a thousand times better than Lewelling's ad-

Chairman Jones' assertion that the Amercan press is "subsidized" in the interest of the gold standard is probably the most tenseless and unprofitable insult ever offered this recognized bulwark of free popalar government. Senseless because it is atterly unreasonable to suppose that practrally all the great influential journals of the country could be bought up for any purpose whatsoever; as well talk about buying up the colleges or the churches of the country for some partisan or selfish purpose. Unprofitable, because the American people are too intelligent to believe in the corruptibility of the press. What pinches Mr. Jones is the fact that the great newspapers in all parts of the countryleaders and exponents of the best thought of the people-are almost solidly

and the principles his candidate and platform represent. He feels the force of this great adverse influence, and seeks to weaken it by insult and villification. By stooping to such methods Mr. Jones makes himself contemptible.

BRYAN A DEMAGOGUE.

Mr. Bryan's oratory, as he vociferates over the country, is developing into "rot." This is a homely and not very elegant word to use in connection with the effusions of a candidate for the high office of president of the United States, but the English language contains no more expressive term with which to characterize some of Mr. Bryan's recent statements. Here is an extract from his speech at Albany last Tuerday: "The gold standard is a conspiracy against the human race, and we would no more join in it than we would join an army marching to despoil our home and destroy our families.

"Can you think of all the wars of the past; can you remember that from the time that Cain killed Abel until now history has been little more than a record of warfare; can you remember all those wars and can you add in one great sum all the misery that those wars have caused, and then can you think of the pestilences which have visited the earth and the misery that they have brought, and then can you think of the famines that have afflicted mankind from time to time; can you add into one great sum all the misery the human race; and then think that the consummation of the conspiracy of those who stand behind the gold standard would bring more of misery than all of these?"

This is the incoherent mouthing of a wild-eyed demagogue anxious for votesnothing more, nothing less. It is not a calm and dispassionate utterance, based on facts or even assumed facts, such as one would be led to expect from a man who has even remote claims to statesmanship. There is not an intelligent man, woman or child in the United States who believes any such fol de rol as that contained in the quoted extract. Mr. Bryan does not believe it, or the half of it, or the hundredth part of it. There is absolutely no foundation for such a statement, either in past or present experience of this or any other nation, and in making it, Candidate Bryan shows to the world that he is a shyster and a blatherskite. Sandlots Kelley and Herr Most achieved notoriety by enunciating such drivel, and Bryan will be enabled to accumulate it in the same

THE TRUE FRIEND OF LABOR.

There never has been a time in the history of the Republican party when it did not stand for the best interests of the laboring man, be he mechanic, farmer, miner or worker in any other of the manifold occupations of the wage-earner. Its record for thirty-five years bears out this statement; for over a third of a century it has stood by the workingman without variableness or shadow of turning. Recognizing that the stability and prosperity of the nation depends upon the welfare of its wage-earners, one of its first and leading policies has been protection to home labor. Under this wise and beneficent policy the country made unparalleled advancement. Factories sprang up on every hand, the hum of industry was heard on all sides and the nation grew wealthy and prosperous at an unexampled rate. And while all this was going on, the Republican party managed the public finances with such wisdom that every dollar, whether paper, sllver or gold-except in the war period-was of equal value and worth 100 cents, "Ar honest dollar and the right to earn it by honest toil" has always been the Republic an policy and always will be,

On the other hand, the Democratic party has invariably antagonized the cause of labor. The effect of its policy when it could be put into execution has been to destroy instead of build up. The result of Democratic legislation has been to decrease the number of employed workmen and in consequence lessen the demand for the products of the soil. In addition to this, the trend of Democracy in recent years has been in the direction of "cheap money." The history of the party shows this. In 1868, for instance, it advocated paying the public debt in depreciated greenbacks when the moral obligation of the government was to meet all of its debts in "coin," which at that time meant gold. The demagogic cry of "the same currency for the bondholders and the plowholders" was raised, and Republicans met it with the counter cry of "the best currency for both the plowholder and the bondholder," and won.

In the present campaign the Democratic party has declared for a policy that means further stagnation of our industries, more idle workmen and more empty dinner pails, A revenue tariff means free trade and free trade means more activity in foreign workshops and less in those at home. The Bryan Democracy also favors a financial policy just as detrimental to labor as its tariff policy. If carried out both would be injurious to the wage-earner in the highest degree, resulting in less work and poorer Day.

GOOD PROSPECTS IN THE WEST.

It is evident that the Bryan managers have abandoned the East. That section of the country has given a cold reception to the proposition to substitute cheap money for good money, and in consequence the silver leaders are looking to the West. Out this way, where Populism has made its rankest growth, it is expected that Popocratic fallacies will find congenial lodgment. In this, however, disappointment awaits them, Recent advices received at Republican national headquarters from the West and Northwest are to the effect that there is not a frantic demand for free coinage in these sections. In some localities where the silver enthusiasm was the most prononneed before the St. Louis convention may be of more or less interest to the there is now a very noticeable falling off. The sober second thought of the people is having its effect.

> In Montana, it is said, the silver craze is decidedly on the wane. While a strong entiment for the white metal still exists, in the district where the big mines are ocated, there has been quite a revulsion of feeling among the farmers. They are now more interested in their flocks and herds than in free silver, and will vote for Mc-Kinley. It is reported that Congressman Hartman, who has not yet been renominated, will have difficulty in getting an indersement from his constituents, by rea-

son of his position on silver. Nebraska and Kansas are considered safe by the national committee. In the latter state the formidable strength of the sound money Democrats is confidently expected more than offset the fusion between the Bryan Democrats and the Populists. Ne braska, being the home of Bryan, where everybody knows him, and an agricultural state besides, is certain to give McKinley arrayed against the cause he is managing a good majority. Nevada, Colorado, Utah

and Idaho are expected to vote for Bryan, but if he carries those states his majority will not be phenomenally large. The leaven is working there also, and by the time the present campaign of education closes enough Republicans may have come to their senses to swing some or all of those states into line, but it is not expected.

There is an enormous demand upon the treasury department at Washington for financial literature, most of it coming from the West. This is of itself a hopeful sign, as the more the people study the question the less likely they are to vote for free silver and disaster.

DEATH OF WILLIAM DOOLIN.

One by one Oklahoma's contingent of merry freebooters pass in their checks and cross over the line where Winchesters are a drug on the market and cartridges are subject to premature explosion. A number of them have been killed several times, if the accounts of the enterprising and imaginative correspondents may be trusted, Phoenix-like, they have arisen from their ashes on various occasions, but at last have fallen before the unerring aim of some deputy marshal who providentially got the drop, or were "worked off" by the hangman under due process of law.

In the latest demise of Mr. William Doolin, who recently departed, according to his custom, without the formality of taking off his boots, Oklahoma loses an outlaw whose caused by those three dread destroyers of place will be hard to fill. He was an ornament to the profession, and while he may not have ranked quite up with Colonel Bill Dalton, who bit the dust so many times before he permanently died, nevertheless his professional talents were of a high order. Mr. Doolin scorned to take any pocketbook, however much it might contain, until he got the drop on the luckless owner, thus showing that his bump of caution was fully developed and that he regarded self-preservation as the first law of nature. The nonetary value placed upon his anatomy by federal and municipal authorities was \$3,000, which does not sound excessive in view of the prominent part he took in depopulating the territory, but still it is a

very snug sum. It is doubtful if Doolin was worth it, But he is gone, and the places that knew him once shall know him no more for some time -possibly forever. He has departed to join Cherokee Bill, Zip Wyatt, William Dalton and a host of other choice spirits, to whom he was doubtless an inspiration in the way he handled his gun. They are all gone, but Oklahoma is not sorry. These gentlemen have given fame to the territory, yet the business houses are not closed, nor the flags at half-mast by reason of their untimely and generally violent taking off.

While afflicted with a moral obliquity resulting in vague and indistinct notions as to the rights of property, still they had their finer feelings. It is related that most of them were "pulled" by reason of yielding to an irresistible yearning for the sacred ties of home. After a long absence on the road and in the brush they longed to visit their lares and penates and amidst the sweet peace of the domestic hearthstone to enjoy much needed repose. This was the fatal spell that led to their undoing, and they were ruthlessly torn from the bosom of their families, or shot full of holes, which amounts to the same thing. Dynamite Dick is about the only one left of this fearless band, and he is lonely and melancholy and scarce.

GOLDBUGS IN DISGUISE.

It would be a rather strange thing if all the leading silver agitators should turn out to be goldbugs, yet from disclosures occasionally being made such a development is by no means impossible. It has been authentically shown that Governor Altgeld, one of the most rantankerous silver advocates in the country, a man who cannot sleep well at night on account of worrying over the laboring man and his sad plight brought about by the crime of '73, has for years been taking mortgages from the downtrodden wage earners and demanding interest and principal exclusively in gold. More recently it has been discovered that Pennoyer, of Oregon, Populist and Bryan Democrat, also denunciator of the aforesaid crime in thunderous tones, has been taking mortgages from the oppressed and demanding his money in British gold. Where is this thing going to stop? Amid all the dust and tumult raised over this free silver craze Altgeld and Pennover, high priests of the argentiferous temple, are quietly crucifying their fellow men on crosses of gold and wringing from the "toiling masses" bright double eagles instead of the sacred dollar of the daddies. "Can such things be and overcome us like a summer cloud without our special wonder?" Is it possible that all these shimmering reformers are merely silver plated? It would be a frightful thing to learn that the immaculate Teller is only veneered with white metal, or that "Silver Brick" Bland should go back upon the dollar of which he is the putative father, or that Bryan, lofty patriot and two-forty steam talker, whose every nerve tingles with the tintinnabulation of silver bells, should be found insisting upon his pound of flesh.

Mr. Bryan is quoted as saying at Tivoli. N. Y.: "You know that the law of supply and demand reaches and controls all sorts of property. It reaches and controls money as well as other forms of property. In crease the amount of money more rapidly than the demand for money increases, and you lower the value of a dollar." Isn't there some mistake about this? It doesn't sound like Bryan. It is not a free silver utterance. On the contrary, it is full of good, hard, honest sense.

There are 50,000 sound money Democrats in Missouri who will refuse to support Bryan and repudiation. There are possibly 5,000 Republicans in the state who will not support McKinley and national credit. If Chairman Jones can get any satisfaction out of this condition of things he is welcome to it.

standard has been more disastrous than war, pestilence and famine he is not intelligent enough to be president of the United States. If he does not believe this he is too dishonest to be president of the United States. When Mr. Bryan stands up in public and

If Mr. Bryan really believes the gold

declares that the gold standard has dictates the price of oil, or Peoria the wrought more devastation than war, pestideclares that the gold standard has lence and famine combined he simply advertises himself as a demagogue and blath-

erskite. Herr Altgeld's Busy Season.

com the Indianapolis Journal. If Governor Altgeld answers in detail the questions asked him by Mr. Forman he will have very little time left for making

By the Wage Test Gold Hasn't Apprecinted.

From the Chicago Tribune.

If Republican speakers will take th trouble of tracing back the price of wages for any or many kinds of employment, say to the year before the rebellion broke out when the country had bimetallism (the gold and silver money standard), and note the wages of that year, 1860; then pass to 1873, when the "crime" was committed (and the currency was depreciated greenbacks). reduce the value of the greenbacks to gold and make a note of the rate of wages then paid: next pass on to 1880 when the country had resumed specie payments on the gold standard basis, the amount of gold paid to all kinds of labor will be found to be larger than in 1860 or in 1873. Proceed to 1890 and 1893, and to the chagrin and confusion of the free silverites the discovery will be made that a much larger weight or sum of gold was then paid to all classes of laborers than in 1880 or in 1873 or in 1860. Steadily and gradually the wages of labor rose higher and higher in gold money or its

As proven by this great, true, and unerring labor-wage test, gold has constantly depreciated in labor paying power since 1860 and 1873, instead of appreciating, as claimed by Bryan, Altgeld, Bland, Tillman, Jones, Teller, Stewart, and all the rest of the 50-cent silver dollar spouters. We advise all Republican speakers to press home this great wages test upon their adversaries and nail them to this cross and watch them tees have, or ought to have, campaign documents giving official tables showing the constant rise in the wages of American labor for the last thirty-six years, or even back to 1850 and 1840. The famous senate report on wholesale prices, cost of transportation, and rise in wages furnishes a mass of valuable information on these points. In its wages tables the wages of various occupations are given for every tenth year from 1840 to 1890, being thirty years under bimetallism and twenty years under the gold standard.

The Popocratic spouters will twist and

squirm when the wages test of gold is applied to them, and will insist on falling back on the wheat test. But that is only products of human labor. It is a product hard pressed by Russian, Argentine and Indian competition for the supply of the British market, and that limited is glutted with wheat. There should be 40,000,000 more Brisish, and each one with a horse's capacity for consumption, to provide a market for all the wheat that can be grown if there was as much raised. With the aid of the remarkable labor sav ing implements now employed by our American farmers a man can produce and market fully three times as much as in his grandfather's day and twice as much as in his father's time, and not suffer a quarter of the pains and aches in doing The Popocratic spouters, be ginning with Bryan, keep all these facts out of sight in this campaign when they are croaking about the low price of wheat, Under the irresistible influence of invention introducing labor saving machines for making commodities labor is steadily and constantly becoming more productive, and the effect is to gradually cheapen everything except labor itself. It is ever demarding and getting a larger compensation in gold for its increasing productiveness. This is the true reason of the gradual cheapening of commodities and transportation as measured by a given weight of gold and the cheapening of gold as measired by human effort and toil. changes will go on in the future so long as the restless brains of inventors discover and develop short cuts to greater production with less labor and sweat. ing all those years since 1860 while prices were measured in gold, excluding the depreciated greenback period, labor was receiving more gold per day or week, and could buy more and more commodities. necessaries and luxuries with each dollar of gold received. Labor, therefore, has been a double gainer, and cannot afford to change the gold standard for an inferior, cheap and debased medium of com-

Men and brethren, press home on public attention the great and important fact that the amount of wages for work solves the question whether gold is appreciating or not. Every intelligent man past middle life has lived long enough to know from his own observation and experience that gold is declining instead of rising in value as measured by human toil. and also by the price of interest or hire

From an English Bimetallist.

From the Chicago Inter Ocean. The National Review for July, a London monthly, centains an article on what is termed "The American Silver Rebellion," from the pen of T. E. Powell, vice president of the Bimetallic League. It was eviwritten in the main before the Republican national convention was held, the last clause at least was added after

the platform had been adopted, Mr. Powell fairly represents the platform when he says that "the policy chosen is the maintenance of the existing gold standard until international agreement opens the door to silver, and the premation of such international agreement." epitomized the financial plank, he adds, by way of comment, "The significance of the situation lies in the absence of the single gold plank from the declared policy of the people." Yet the Democrats and Populists are continually representing that the significance of the situation lies in the substantial adoption of the single gold plank by the Republican party. Mr. Powell further observed. "There is no traumph of gold and no triumph of silver, but a deliberate recognition of conservative bimetal-This, be it remembered, comes from lism." one of the leading European friends of bimetallism.

There is a very considerable impression that the cause of international bimetallism has made no real progress. In fact, the chief argument of the national, in distinction from the international, bimetal ist s that it is hoping against hope to expert any help from Europe in restoring the old harmony of the two money metals. But this is because our government has, under Grover Cleveland, stood in the way movement in that direction. It is highly probable that if Benjamin Harrison, a sinere and earnest advocate and friend of international bimetallism, had been reelected president, the international agreement necessary to the end in view would have been attained. So far from there not being any progress made, great progress has been made during the last few years, even in England. But our president has stolidly shut his eyes to it all, and, disregarding the authority and initiative of congress, taken no action in that direction shown himself to be a flat gold monometallist. One of the results of his un-American policy on this great question was the disruption of his own party and the raising of a national issue which has aggravated the Ills we are already suffering from Democratic incapacity and mis-

London's "Dictation."

From the Detroit Free Press. Our correspondent wants to know why England should be allowed to dictate the price of American silver, and we answer in Yankee fashion by asking why she should be allowed to dictate the price of American wheat. In reality, England does not dietate the price of either silver or wheat ex cept as she has the controlling market for both. One might as well ask why Cleveland certain stocks

A Straw From the Virginia Haystack

From the Baltimore Sun (Dem.). One of the most striking evidences of the widespread revolt in the Democratic party against the Chicago platform and comes from Lynchburg, Va., where 200 Democrats of high standing and

ests of the city, have united in calling a neeting which is to send delegates to th sound money states convention, which meets in Richmond August 27, and which will in turn elect delegates to the national dianapolis. Lynchburg is the home of United States Senator John W. Daniel, and at the Masonic Temple Roof garden this many of the signers of the sound money call are intimate personal friends of th senator and have been material factors in

Li Hung Chang and Silver.

his political advancement.

sires to acquire

From the Philadelphia Press No Chinaman of the rank, station an age of Li Hung Chang travels as he is traveling for pleasure. The passion fo travel which the men of the West know scarcely exists in the East. Mere curiosity would never have drawn an elderly Chinese statesman of 72 to circumnavigate the globe. He believes first of all in himself and next in China. If the inner recess of his mind, the ablest his empire has known for a century, could be explored, it would be found that he has seen nothing in all his trip which has changed his opinion that the civilization of China is the supe rior. The brute force of the Western world used in warfare, to a Chinaman an ignobl and savage pursuit, he would be glad to gain in defense of the Chinese ideal of life. There is nothing else in the West he de

Incredible as this may seem to an Amer

ican, who looks on China as all wrong, it is unquestionably the view of Li Hung Chang, or Li Chung Tang, as he calls himself on this visit, who looks on China as all right, with the triffing exception of its fighting power. His trip has the serious and practical purpose of securing the consent of the treaty powers to an advance in the Chinese tariff from an average of per cent to an average of 10 per cent Thirty-three years ago, at the end war in which Peking was captured, China accepted a treaty which levied a duty or imports of 5 per cent. This is collected by a customs service officered by European nd having an Englishman at its head. When this duty was levied the Haikwa tael, in which it is paid, was worth \$1.4! To-day it is worth 72 cents. China in the interim has accumulated a debt of \$160, 000,000 and heavy imperial expenses; bu these could be met if silver had kept its value, for in thirty years the revenue has rebled. In 1864 the customs revenue was

7,872,257 Haikwan taels. In 1894 this reve-nue was 22,523,605 Haikwan taels. In 1864 this silver revenue would buy \$11,000,000 of supplies. In 1893, after trebling, it will buy but \$15,116,000. The expenses of the empir have increased and its revenue has appar ently trebled to meet them; but tested b the world's standard China has added but ne-half to its revenue in thirty years, be cause the tael, which has 523,638 grains of pure silver, or about one-half more than one of our dollars, has fallen one-half in value in the world's markets. Our emi nent visitor, if he will stop off at Lincoln Neb., will meet an eminent but more youth ful public man a candidate for the presidency, who will assure Li Hung Chang that this is all a mistake. China has free coinage. Silver is its curfency, its only currency. The Haikwan tael ought to be still \$1.41. According to Mr. Bryan's logic Unfortunately it is not. Theories pay no

bills. Being on a silver basis, Li cannot raise his country to a gold level, as Japan s about to do with the Chinese subsidy What his opinion would be of a country a party in which was proposing to go from gold to silver there is probably no Chinese phrase strong enough to express. Since gold standard is impossible, Li Hung Chang wishes to double customs duties and raise the rate from 5 to 10 per cent, so as to meet expenses. This is exactly what will happen in this

country if free silver coinage is adopted. Taxes will eventually have to be doubled and the advance will begin as soon as the purchasing power of silver diminishes, By keeping government employes on half pay this increase will be deferred, but in the end, as taxes are paid in silver worth half gold, their volume, local, state and federal, we to be doubled to meet the current level of expenditures.

Whether Li has succeeded in his pleas in Europe no one knows. The consent of all the powers is needed before any will make this concession, and any success the imperial envoy achieves will be one of the secrets of diplomacy until the negotiations are consummated. Until this increase in revenue is secured orders from China are grossly improbable. Li is credited by runor with having ordered cannon in Germany, rifles in France and ships in England. It is more probable that the adroit Chinaman has held out hopes of orders as bait to quicken the success of his pleas for higher duties. The United States ought not certainly to be backward in alding China to the more abundant revenue the empire needs, and no better envoy could sent to conduct the negotiations than Li Hung Chang.

Why Pointoes and Corn Are Cheap.

From the Chicago Tribune. Whenever the selling price of any farm product falls the free silver orators lift up their dolorous voices and announce that the price has gone down because "gold has appreciated." But when the price of any farm product rises, not one of these orators announces regretfully that "gold is depreciating." He accounts for the rise in price by the shortness of the crop. From 1891 to 1895 the potato crop of this

ountry averaged about 171,000,000 bushels a year. That was not enough to supply the home demand, and large quantities imported. The farmers got high prices for their potatoes in spite of the low price of silver Since the prices were so good, more pota

toes were planted last year and this year, and since nature was good-natured the crops were very heavy. It is estimated this year's yield will be 256,000,000 bushels. Last year's was even heavier. As a consequence prices have dropped. The supply exceeds the demand. As a further consequence George Fred

Williams has taken the stump to open the eves of the farmers of Massachusetts to the deadly effect of the "appreciation of gold" on the selling value of their potatoes. This shows how free silverism can conver When potatoes were scarce they sold for

an intelligent man into a donkey. more than they do now when they are plentiful. That is a self-evident proposition to everybody except a crazy free silverite. The fruit crop is a large one this year and hence prices are low. The fruit growers do not lay the blame to the gold standard, for they have too much sense

For the five years preceding 1895 the corn crop of the United States, about one-half of it grown in the seven states of Kansas. Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Missouri, averaged 1,602,000,000 bushels, Last year's crop was 2,151,000,000 bushels, and it is estimated that this year's will be 2,235,-000,000 bushels.

Necessarily this increased production must have an effect on the price of corn since that cereal is not exported as wheat is, but is transformed at home into lard bacen and other hog products. The prices of those commodities must be expected, other things being equal, to decline. The demand for hog products has in

creased enormously, the export having av-

eraged 1,075,000,000 pounds for the last six years, as against 99,000,000 pounds in 1870. But even with no decrease in the demand the cheaper cost of production, due to cheaper corn, results in a lower price. Nevertheless the farmers will be told this month and next thousands of times that orn and hog products bring so little because "gold has appreciated" and has "aborbed the value" of those products. The farmers, with the crop figures before their

Quantity Not the Remedy. From the Louisville Times. Talk about "cheaper money," gold, silver

and paper, all of a perfect parity of value,

went begging on Wall street yesterday at 2 per cent per annum. As Bourke Cockran observes, it is not the quantity of money in existence, but its activity in the channels of trade that makes business hum.

Roof Garden Campaign "Poetry." From the Chicago Chronicle. In the course of his remarks on politics

week John D. Gilbert, the comedian, gives vent to the following piece of doggerel, and it simply convulsed the audience last night: A LEGEND OF THE PLATTE. A talker from Nebraska talked the tallest talk in years.
farmers heard their corns talk, and

the cornstalks held their ears.

On the back plutform of the resting train the boy he stood on deck, While each hey-rube stood open-mouthed and stretched his rubber neck!

said Richard Bland, "For Tillman is behind you with his pitchfork in his hand!" Send a message, Dick, to Altgeld; ask him if he's standing pat, And sign it William Bryan, Jennings Bry-

The orator he faltered, "Have no fear,"

Tell Jones my feet are blistered standing on that silver plank. Ask Teller if he's teller yet in a silver

Tell them my pipes are giving out, and to send some gargling oil And boxing gloves, for I must shake hands

with a million sons of toil. Tell them that on election day with both feet I'll be there. While the farmers paint the town, their

whiskers floating in the air. Tell McKinley and Mark Hanna and each golden Democrat That he will not do a thing to them-Bill Bryan of the Platte.

III. Then the train choo-choosed to go ahead and the farmers chewed to-bac-her. And they all discussed the parity and the parrot ate the cracker.

and when they got to Canton-lately added to the map-The speaker had worn out his hat and so removed his cap. He looked into McKinley's yard, from the

platform where he stood, But Mac was saying nothing, only softly sawing wood. And then he went to New York town and

now he's at the bat, Some say he Madison-squared himself-Bill Bryan of the Platte

How About Thin?

From the Louisville Courier-Journal. Practically all the leading business me of the country (except Arthur Sewall and the silver mine owners), that is, all the manufacturers, shipbuilders, railroad managers, coal and iron mine owners, importers and wholesale merchants from Maine to Texas and from Vancouver's island to Key West, are opposed to Bryan. He avows his intent to destroy their business. If he succeeds in his purpose, what be-comes of the six millions of factory hands, ship carpenters, locomotive engineers, conductors, firemen, brakemen, motormen, etc. operative miners, porters, draymen lerks whom these manufacturers, builders, railroad managers, coal and from mine owners, importers and wholesale merchants employ? Are they ready to ster into the shoes of the capitalists and to run themselves all those lines of busines which Mr. Bryan will have destroyed? Or were these words of the boy orator spoker only in a childish pet.

A Boom for Watterson.

From the New York Herald. The Herald does not hesitate to declare that the man to head the sound money Democrats who are to assemble at Indian apolis next week is Colonel Watterson. He was among the first to raise his voice in protest against the action of the Chicag convention, to repudiate the Bryan ticket and urge the nomination of an independent ticket which would stand for the true integrity of the nation. A stalwart for sound money, tariff reform and good government, his name more than that of any other Democrat would prove a rallying cry for Democrats who repudiate Bryan and

will not vote for McKinley. If Colonel Watterson is nominated it is not certain that he would be elected, though he might be. But one thing is certain-Bryan would find himself with only a corporal's guard of men in buckram and silver shrickers as a following.

From every place they're speaking; You cannot find a spot from Billville down to Smithville town,

Where an orator is not! It's speak, speak, speak! O, the fellows want the office, if it's fift

They never fear a stroke:

They break the news to people, And all are mostly "broke. It's speak, speak, speak! While the rusty farm gates creak; O, the fellows want the office, if it's fifty

cents a week -Atlanta Constitution.

In the Empire State.

From the New York World. Forty-six of the Democratic voters of the own of Clinton, in this state, where the free silver sentiment is said to be strong nave signed a stiff declaration against the Chicago platform, and will not support the They comprise about 10 per cent of the Democratic voters of the town, and t is claimed that a thorough canvass would disclose the fact that 20 or 25 pe ent are of the same way of thinking. It only 10 per cent of the Democrats through

er ticket, it is not difficult to estimate how New York would vote.

out the state stay at home or vote anoth-

From the Peorla Herald. Under the present standard we have both gold and silver. Under free coinage we would have silver alone. The question for the people to decide is which plan will be best. It ought not to take them long to answer that inquiry.

A Veteran Voter. From the Chicago Times-Herald. "I understand, Uncle Jim, that they're going to throw out your vote?"

"That's what they tell me." The old man looked thoughtfully at the ground, then raising his head said: "Could you tell me, ef you please, suh, des how many of 'em dey gwine ter f'row

"How many of 'em?" "Yes, suh-so's I kin fin' out des how many I'll have lef'."

Uncongenial Tastes.

From the New York Press. "I understand," said the new missionary "that my predecessor did not get along well with your tribe." cannibal chief looked pained.

"No," he signed, "I must say that did not seem to agree with us! In the distance the doctor of the tribcould be seen approaching hurriedly with his stomach pump.

Financierius. From the Indianapolis Journal

"Feller down our way," said the farmer man "is so dead sure that Bryan is goin to git there that he took a hundred dollars he had buried in an old tin can an melted 'em into a lump o' bullion "What did he do that for?" asked the

city merchant.
"What did he do it fer? W'y, so's he could make \$47 coinin' 'em over again,'

SUNFLOWER SEED.

Butler county farmers are gathering their corn. One extensive grower there has twenty-two men at work in his fields. An Atchison doctor tells the Globe that

the essence of cinnamon scattered around in a room will drive mosquitoes away. Loyal Wait is the name of one of the stalwart Republicans of Butler county. Everything outght to come his way one

Dr. Hogeboom, of Topeka, will be one of the Kansas representatives at the meeting of the American Academy of Railway Surgeons in Chicago next month

Having acquired all the other accessories that tend to make life worth living, Eldorado is now figuring on a scheme for a telephone connection with Wichita.

If anything stronger than red lemonade giveth color in the cup on the reunion grounds at Baxter Springs the thirsty fellows say they haven't been able to find it. They say down there that ex-Congressman Lew Hanback is making a model commander-in-chief at the big Baxter Springs reunion, thoroughly worthy of the mantle long so gracefully worn by Colonel Weldy.

Ex-Senator John Martin, of Topeks, was over in Leavenworth Tuesday sounding the local Democrats on the outlook, and went home greatly discouraged, the Times says, over the discovery of the prevalent anti-Bryan sentiment in business circles there.

The surmise may be an entirely erroneous one, of course, but the sight of his name in print would naturally reader with the thought that the Rev. Mr. Hollar, of Dickinson county, would be an ideal invocation artist for a Pop convention.

County Clerk Kleffer, a Dickinson county Pop, is visiting in Pennsylvania, and has been telling the papers there that Kansas will go for Bryan by \$5,000; and the Abilene Reflector fears he will come back with a very severe cold in his head, it being absolutely certain that there can be nothing left of his hat but the brim.

The Stedman Club, one of the leading literary organizations of Topeka, which was making an effort to secure funds to assist in bringing the body of Kate Field back to America from Honolulu, has had official information from San Francisco that the plan has been abandoned, and the money raised will be used for building a monument instead.

Now that ex-Pop Congressman Ben Clover, who flopped to the Republicans a few years ago and was given charge of the farm at the girls' reform school early in Governor Morrill's administration, thrown up his job and come out for Bryan and free silver, allusions to the red shoe incident will probably appear less frequently in the calamity papers.

In the appointment of ex-Lieutenant Governor Riddle to the position at the head of the insurance department, made vacant by the death of George T. Anthony. Governor Morrill has made an admirable selection. Mr. Riddle is not only thoroughly qualified for the satisfactory discharge of the duties which will devolve upon hi but his services to the party well entitle him to recognition.

John Madden, the Pop candidate who is running against Charles Curtis for congress in the Fourth district, devoted about half his speech in Eldorado the other day to an effort to convince his hearers that "they were serfs and slaves, and that their homes and the nation will be destroyed if the Republican ticket is victorious—and then failed," says the Eldorado Republican. And it prophetically adds, "Such a man will never represent Kansas in congress.

Lawrence Journal: Chancellor Snow, of Kansas university, arrived home from a two months' trip in California and Art-zona. Chancellor Snow was with Ed Franklin, also of Kansas university, and V. L. Kellogg, formerly of Kansas university, but now with Leland Stanford university, and a party of a dozen other members of the faculty of Leland Stanford university. The party spent the time in camping, fishing and hunting, and after several weeks in the California forests went to the Yosemite valley. Chancello, Snow is looking very much better than he did while away, having gained ten pounds and becoming bronzed by the sun. He became quite a fisherman while away, and during the summer caught over 700 fish.

ALL OVER MISSOURL

Sedalia has been provided with facilities for "shooting the chutes." Jasper county Republicans will hold their nominating convention at Carthage, Sep-

Cattle are dying in great numbers in and about Joplin from Texas fever. The infection is spread by ticks. Mr. and Mrs. Caughenbaugh, old citi-

zens of Carterville, celebrated their golden wedding there Monday night. Caldwell county, with a population of 15,-000, has twelve newspapers and is threatened with the possibility of another. Two new Joplin mining companies were

a capital of \$12,000 and the other \$24,000. The McKinley Club in Carthage, for eligible, has reached an enrollment of 118. The Blair line is to have a new inspection car, which is to be propelled by a gasoline motor. It will go into service

A camper while cutting some firewood near Moberly the other day is said to have dug up an old kettle containing \$4,000 in gold coins.

on the streets of Nevada that does its work in ten seconds - a frost producing record that even a Bryan meeting can't equal. A brother of Dr. Joe Rice, of Chicago, is superintendent of one of Spreckels'

sugar plantations near Honolulu, and the

An ice cream freezer is being exhibited

doctor has just started on a trip over there to pay him a visit. Several songs composed by Mr. Wenrich. of Joplin, "the poet laureate of Jasper county," are to be sprung by Tom Ander-sor's celebrated Modoc Club, of Topeka, during the St. Paul G. A. R. encampment. A Daviess county farmer raised a dozen

have several bushels this season, whereon each grain is covered with a small husk of its own. That now growing has the husk on each kernel, just like the seed. Vice President Stilwell, of the Pittsburg nounced hit with his sound money speeches and pamphlets during the present paign, is to be presented a cordial and

ears or so of corn last year and expects to

numerously signed invitation to deliver an address in Joplin shortly. Carthage Press: The county jail has seventy-nine inmates to-day and of these the officers in charge say the majority are in favor of free silver. "In some cases," said Sheriff Crane, "it is because they

wanted things free-silver as well as others-that they landed here." So prevalent is the all-pervading sway of politics that even the practice of marrying and giving in marriage seems almost to have fallen into innocuous desuctude in some parts of the state. A license issued Tuesday in Clinton was the first one in

Henry county for a period of seventeen days. The arrangements committee at Springfield, after squaring every item of indebtedness incurred on account of the Republican state convention held there, found a balance in each on hand of \$46,10, and divided it up among the local charitable in-

stitutions. The convention expenses amounted to \$1,048.90, A Blessing. From the New York Herald.

"Dis free silver," said Wraggies, the tramp, "is er blessin' in disguise fer de profession. "How do you make dat?" asked Weary Walker.

"Because it won't work."